

## **U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE**

## U.S. EMBASSY STOCKHOLM - WHAT THE EMBASSY CAN DO FOR **AMERICAN CITIZENS**

The role of the U.S. Embassy in Stockholm is to provide consular services to Americans and Swedes, promote strong bilateral ties between the U.S. and Sweden and to play an active role in public diplomacy, trade promotion, environmental protection, and diplomatic relations between the two nations. Our mission is to safeguard the lives and interests of American citizens at home and overseas, while protecting our borders through the issuance of U.S. passports and visas.

The American Citizen Services (ACS) Unit of the Consular Section: The ACS Unit plays a key role in providing services to U.S. citizens in Sweden. The Unit provides a wide range of information and assistance, including: U.S. passport issuance; legal assistance; reporting the birth of a child in Sweden to a U.S. citizen; applications for Social Security Numbers; tax information; overseas voting assistance;

notarization of documents; and assistance with children's issues. The ACS Unit also offers crisis management and assistance with life or death emergencies involving U.S. citizens, and a Consular Duty Officer is available to handle these emergencies 24 hours a day. In case of a life or death emergency involving a United States citizen, call +46

(0)8 783 5300 during office hours, or +46 (0)8 783 5310 after hours.

The Immigrant Visa (IV) Unit of the Consular Section: This Unit is available to U.S. Citizens when needed, such as when a U.S. citizen needs to file an Immigrant Visa Petition for an immediate relative that wants to immigrate to the United States. The IV Unit can also assist when the fiancé(é) of a U.S. citizen wants to apply for a nonimmigrant visa to travel to the U.S. to marry the U.S. citizen.

The Nonimmigrant Visa (NIV) Unit of the Consular Section: This Unit handles applications for temporary visas, such as for tourists, students, temporary workers and

investors. Through the issuance of visas, the NIV Unit promotes foreign trade, tourism and investment in the U.S. while protecting the security of the U.S. borders.

The Public Affairs Section (PAS): Public Affairs is responsible for the Embassy's outreach to the Swedish public, directly and via the media. PAS organizes public speaking events for visiting American officials; arranges

- Some 4 million U.S. citizens live overseas; up to 30,000 in Sweden.
- Americans made over 60 million trips abroad in 2006.
- 13,695 Nonimmigrant Visas were issued in Stockholm in 2006.
- 441 Immigrant Visas were issued in Stockholm in 2006.
- 2,624 Passports were issued in Stockholm in 2006.

**ACS Unit Services:** 

Legal Assistance

• Reporting the Birth

to a U.S. Citizen

Social Security

Tax Information

Notarization of

Assistance with

Children's Issues Crisis Management

**Documents** 

Voting Assistance

Numbers

of a Child in Sweden

U.S. Passport

Issuance

educational and cultural exchanges; and manages the Fulbright program.

The Foreign Agricultural Service Office: This office assists in the promotion of U.S. food, agricultural, forestry and fishery products in Sweden. It also provides trade services for local importing companies seeking products and for U.S. companies wishing to develop the Swedish market.

The U.S. Commercial Service Office: The U.S. Commercial Service assists U.S. businesses in exporting goods and services to Sweden. Its trade specialists can also assist in identifying trade opportunities, finding local trading partners, launching companies, and obtaining market research reports. The office also offers a variety of services

to US exporters and Swedish importers.

Other Useful Information: The U.S. Embassy website, http://www.usemb.se, provides useful information for U.S. Citizens, including direct links to organizations and services such as: hospitals, doctors and dentists; English-speaking associations; schools; adult education; religious services; The Swedish Employment Office; Swedish visas and residency requirements; and photographers who can take U.S. passport

Should you have any non-visa or passport-related questions regarding Embassy services that have not been answered here, please contact us at: Embassy of the United States of America, Dag

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Please direct any questions regarding visas, immigration, and citizenship matters to the following telephone numbers: Nonimmigrant Visa Unit: +46 (0)8 783 54 69 or Fax +46 (0) 8 660 58 79; Immigrant Visa Unit: +46 (0)8 783-5370 or fax +46 (0)8 783-5480; or American Citizens Unit: +46 (0)8 783 5375 or fax +46 (0)8-783 5480.